

**MINUTES  
OF THE JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE  
EDINA CITY COUNCIL AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION HELD AT CITY HALL  
ON JANUARY 17, 2006 AT 5:30 P.M.**

**ROLLCALL** Answering rollcall were Members Housh, Hulbert, Masica, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Attending the meeting on behalf of the Transportation Commission were: Members Bennett, Dovolis, Plante, Thorpe, Wanninger, and Ussem. Study Advisory Committee Members in attendance were J.C Beckstand and Grethe Dillion. Also attending were City Manager Hughes, City Engineer Houle, Assistant Engineer Lillehaug, Communications Director Bennerotte and City Clerk Mangen.

Mayor Hovland thanked the members of the Transportation Commission and those citizens involved in the Northeast Edina Traffic Study for the work they have done thus far in their study.

Marie Cote of SRF Consulting Group gave an overview of the Northeast Edina Transportation Study. She explained the Study Advisory Committee (SAC) consisted of the Edina Transportation Commission; representatives from adjacent neighborhoods in St. Louis Park: Minikahda Vista and Browndale and in Minneapolis Fulton; business representatives from the 44<sup>th</sup> & France area, the 50<sup>th</sup> and France area, and Vernon and Interlachen, City Staff members from Edina, St. Louis Park, and Minneapolis; and MnDOT and Hennepin County staff representatives.

Ms. Cote explained the process followed consisted of: deciding what information was needed and gathering data; prioritizing issues; researching potential alternative solutions; communicating broadly and regularly; and holding public meetings after data collected and analyzed and potential alternatives have been evaluated.

Ms. Cote reviewed the problem statements used, the study questions asked and the significance of the problem vs. the cost of solutions. She showed the data gathered and analyzed, briefly reviewed the findings and noted that upcoming meetings were scheduled for a public open house on January 26, 2006 and a third meeting in February of 2006 with the Study Advisory Committee. In addition, a written form of the study report will be placed on the City's website for review by citizens.

The Council and Transportation Commission briefly discussed with Tom O'Keefe and Wayne Norris of MnDOT the proposed interim improvements for Trunk Highway 100.

The Mayor adjourned the special meeting at 6:55 p.m.

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Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk